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For: AUTOMATIC IDENTITY PROTECTION SYSTEM WITH
REMOTE THIRD PARTY MONITORING

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The following is being submitted prior to examination of the above-referenced application.

Please amend the application as follows.

In the Specification

Please replace the paragraph at page 6, lines 3 through 10 with the following paragraph:

The heart of the invention system may be implemented as a computer program 175 running in a secure environment. This program 175 is made from three main components: a

mapping module 106, a secure communication module 107, and a secret sharing module 108. Secure communication channels are established with a sender 109, a receiver 110, and a supervisor 111. Similarly, the system 150 may access a permanent storage 104 for storing system information outside the secure environment. The types of information stored by the system 150 may be divided into four categories: user information, data logs, mapping states, and secret sharing data.

Amendments to the specification are indicated in the attached "Marked Up Version of Amendments" (page i).

In the Drawings

Please amend Fig. 2 by encircling the reference number 175 to indicate the software 175 of the present invention. A Transmittal of Proposed Drawing Correction, a copy of original formal drawing Fig. 2 with the proposed correction highlighted in red and a substitute formal drawing (Sheet 2 of 5, Fig. 2) is co-filed herewith. No new matter is being introduced.

REMARKS

The amendment to the Specification is for clarity and consistency. The amendments are of a clerical nature and no new matter is being introduced. In particular, support for the amendment to page 6, line 4 is found on Specification page 6, lines 5 and 6 as originally filed where three main components, i.e., mapping module 106, secure communication module 107 and secret sharing module 108, are listed and not "four" components. Support for the correction in the drawing is found at least on Specification page 6, line 26-27 as originally filed where a computer 201 and a separate identity protection system/software 175 are recited.

Acceptance is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that all claims are in condition for examination, and it is respectfully requested that the application be examined. If

the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (781) 861-6240.

Respectfully submitted,

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MARKED UP VERSION OF AMENDMENTSSpecification Amendments Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(1)(iii)

Replace the paragraph at page 6, lines 3 through 10 with the below paragraph marked up by way of bracketing and underlining to show the changes relative to the previous version of the paragraph.

The heart of the invention system may be implemented as a computer program 175 running in a secure environment. This program 175 is made from [four] three main components: a mapping module 106, a secure communication module 107, and a secret sharing module 108. Secure communication channels are established with a sender 109, a receiver 110, and a supervisor 111. Similarly, the system150 may access a permanent storage 104 for storing system information outside the secure environment. The types of information stored by the system150 may be divided into four categories: user information, data logs, mapping states, and secret sharing data.